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VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

RE: Level 3 Communications, LLC on behalf of Broadwing Communications, LLC –
Section 63.71 Application

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Level 3 Communications, LLC, on behalf of Broadwing Communications, LLC (“Broadwing” or “Applicant”), through its counsel, hereby files an original and four (4) copies of Applicant’s Section 63.71 Application for Authority to Discontinue Telephone Services in Wisconsin.

Please date stamp the enclosed extra copy of this filing and return it in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

Brian McDermott
Edward S. Quill, Jr.

Counsel for Applicant

Enclosure

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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of the Application of)
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Section 63.71 Application of)
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LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, LLC)
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On Behalf of)

BROADWING COMMUNICATIONS, LLC)
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For Authority to Discontinue Telephone Services)
In Wisconsin)
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SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Level 3 Communications, LLC, on behalf of Broadwing Communications, LLC ("Broadwing" or "Applicant"), through its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, hereby files this Application and respectfully requests authority to discontinue the provision of certain competitive telecommunications services to certain customers located in Wisconsin. Applicant understands that pursuant to the Commission's Rules, this Application is deemed granted in thirty-one (31) after issuance of Public Notice unless the Commission notifies Applicant to the contrary. In support of this Application, Broadwing states as follows:

I. Description of Discontinuance

1. Name and Address of Carrier

Broadwing Communications
1025 Eldorado Boulevard
Broomfield, Colorado 80021

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance

The anticipated date of the proposed discontinuance of service is February 4, 2008, or as soon thereafter as the necessary state and federal approval can be obtained.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected

The affected customers receive service in the State of Wisconsin.

4. Brief description of the type of service affected.

Broadwing proposes to discontinue service to approximately 1,400 interexchange customers located in Wisconsin.

5. Brief description of the dates and methods of notice to all affected customers.

Written notice to all affected customers was mailed on October 30, 2007. Attached as Exhibit A is a copy of the form of customer notice.

6. Non dominance of the carrier with respect to the service to be discontinued.

Broadwing is a non-dominant provider of competitive interexchange services, the services which are being discontinued.

7. Service

In accordance with Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, Application has mailed a copy of the application to the Governor of Wisconsin, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense.

II. Discontinuance

As part of an overall effort to streamline the operations and services provided by Applicant's corporate parent, Level 3 Communications, Inc., Broadwing proposes to discontinue service to certain Broadwing customers located in Wisconsin. While regrettable, the discontinuance is necessary to complete to a change in business focus of the Level 3 companies.

The public will not be harmed by the proposed discontinuance of service described above because customer have been given notice that affords them an ample opportunity to migrate to an alternative service provider. Indeed, the basic local exchange and interexchange services being discontinued are readily available from other carriers.

III. Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that the proposed discontinuance is reasonable and necessary. Broadwing has taken reasonable steps and continues to work to attempt to assure that the discontinuance of service is not unduly disruptive to the telecommunications market or the public convenience. Accordingly, Broadwing respectfully requests that the Commission permit it to discontinue the provision of services outline above. Questions regarding this application may be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward S. Quill, Jr.

Brian McDermott

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Dated: October 30, 2007

Exhibit A



NOTICE

October 30, 2007

RE: NOTICE OF DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE FOR ACCOUNT #(s):

Dear Customer:

Level 3 Communications, LLC (together with its operating affiliates, including, but not limited to, Broadwing Communications, LLC, ICG Communications, Inc., Looking Glass Networks, Inc., Progress Telecom, Inc., TelCove Operations, LLC, or Wiltel Communications, Inc., or any operating affiliates of each) (collectively "Level 3") hereby provide you notice that your current telecommunications service purchased from Level 3 will be **disconnected on or about February 4, 2008**. Level 3 is discontinuing the provision of residential services, stand-alone long distance services and service to customers who are served on a stand-alone basis by the resale of services or facilities Level 3 obtains from a third party. Accordingly, please accept this letter as sixty (60) days' notice of the disconnection of services.

In the event that you need continued service, you should select a new service provider as quickly as possible. The existing service you purchase through Level 3 and its affiliates will be discontinued no sooner than February 4, 2008.

IN ORDER TO AVOID INTERRUPTION IN SERVICE YOU MUST BE TRANSITIONED TO A NEW SERVICE PROVIDER ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 4, 2008. THEREFORE, YOU MUST CONTACT AN ALTERNATIVE PROVIDER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO ARRANGE TO TRANSITION OF YOUR SERVICES.

The Federal Communications Commission will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554, referencing the § 63.71 Application of Level 3. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

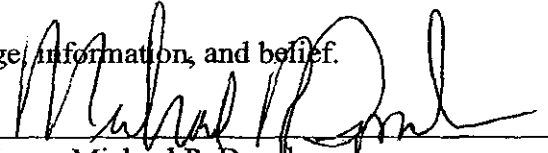
In the event you have any questions, please call us at **800-422-1199**.

Verification

VERIFICATION

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA)
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CITY OF HERNDON) ss:

I, Michael P. Donahue, being first duly sworn, state that I am Senior Regulatory Counsel of Level 3 Communications, LLC; that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of Broadwing Communications, LLC, the Applicant in the foregoing Application; that the foregoing Application was prepared under my direction and supervision; and that the contents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.


Name: Michael P. Donahue
Title: Senior Regulatory Counsel

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the attached Section 63.71 Application of Level 3 Communications, LLC on behalf of Broadwing Communications, LLC was sent via first class mail, postage prepaid, on October 30, 2007 to:

Sandra Paske, Secretary
Public Service Commission of Wisconsin
610 North Whitney Way
Madison, WI 53707-7854

Governor Jim Doyle
Office of the Governor
115 East State Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian McDermott", is written over a horizontal line.

Brian McDermott